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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Foreign.-The Sultan of Turkey yielded to Russia's demands to allow her Vessels to pass through the Straits of Durdanciles, thus establishing a precedent. - By a fire-damp explosion in a Somersetshire colliery ten miners were killed and a dozen more injured. === It is estimated that by a typhoon in Japan over 250 people lest their lives. - The State and Navy Departments at Washington received official information of the flight of Balmaceda. === President Diaz or from any other Democrat, that the "tariff is Proctor a large place in the affections of the None of your million-dollar telescopes for Ferguof Mexico has appointed a plenipotentiary to arrange a reciprocity treaty with the United States.

Donacetie.-The American Social Science Association opened its annual meeting in Saratoga; President Andrew D. White delivered his address. The reciprocity agreements with Cuba and Porto Rico and with San Diego go into effect to-day. = Mrs. Robert Garrett, of Baltimore, sider the State convict labor system.

City and Subufban.-Two more bodies were found in the Park Place ruins and the search was renewed; the Police and Fire Departments and the Board of Health blamed for gross careleseness. ==== Henry Rebers, a bonk clerk embloved by Henry Bischoff & Co., embezzled \$1,528 40 and was locked up. solidated Exchange and one Stock Exchange broker failed. - The engines for the new armored cruiser Maine were successfully tested. Winners at Sheepshead Bay: Chesapeake, the Refraction filly, Pessara, Mary Stone, Luella B. and Watterson. - Traces of organic matter were found in Croton water drawn in various parts of the city. - Stocks were strong on foreign buying and the announcement of a small sum of gold engaged for import; prices rose shafply on increased transactions.

The Weather .- Forecast for to-day: Fair or partly cloudy; stationary or slightly higher temperature. Temperature yesterday: Highest, 75 degrees: lowest, 61; average, 66.

prison at Jefferson Market shows that the methods of guarding prisoners there must be axtremely lax. This man was able to cut the bars from the transom of his door, and also the heavier bars of a window, without being interrupted or detected. Not long ago, in another case, the public was informed that a prisoner at Jefferson Market was just as secure as one in the Tombs. Yesterday's discovery puts another face on the matter, and calls for careful investigation.

Mayor Grant was thoroughly aroused after visiting the rains in Park Place yesterday and discovering two bodies still in the rubbish, and sent communications to the Fire and Health lepartments in his most vigorous style. The occasion certainly called for emphatic language. It was last Wednesday afternoon that the work of exploring the ruins of the fallen building was completed, according to the statements then made. It is a shameful thing that two of the missing persons have been allowed to remain there all this time. Mayor Grant is also properly stirred up because of the conspicuous ab sentecism in the Fire Department, on which THE TRIBUNE has already commented.

The latest analysis of the Croton water supplied to this city indicates that its condition is steadily growing worse. That the contamination is becoming serious is beyond dispute, and the need of more careful protection of the sources of supply is too evident to require argument. The Health Board chemists' investigation in the Middle Branch region discloses the presence of nuisances almost as bad as those on the East Branch of the Croton River, which have already been described in detail. There is no more pressing question before New-Yorkers at present than that of preventing the contamination of their water supply.

Mr. Peck, Governor Hill's Commissioner of Labor Statistics, has come out openly as a candidate for the nomination for the second place on the Democratic ticket. It is well known that his relations with his chief are close, and it must therefore be assumed that he had taken this position by authority. Peck's positive declaration lends color to the statement lately at tributed to him that Speaker Sheeben would pavers, and it will also compel the children if within the next thirty days the announcement months, and will, in all probability, conclude that the Ohio Democrat.

for the promotion of studies in social science. circulation among the people, by means of tracts own disestablishment. or leaflets, of popular information concerning roads, ballot reform and hygiene. Of course these subjects do not exhaust the list of topics available for this purpose, but with either of the three a first-rate start could be made.

cover all accidents.

profit they would make in a single year.

know, that they pay no more, but generally rapid; the daily life of the soldier was made some distance above the basin, perhaps on the sides less, for their clothing, their woollens, cottons, less menial and onerous and more honorable of the batter pudding. linens, hats, blankets, boots and shoes, their than it had ever been; desertions subsided, and tin pails and pans and dishes, their knives and a new and better spirit was injected into the forks, their tools and implements, than they rank and file everywhere. did before the new tariff was enacted. Men These common-sense reforms were little in learn something about the tariff that is worth themselves, perhaps, but they were numerous, knowing who note these facts. The next time and their effect upon the whole has been widethey hear, whether from ex-President Cleveland spread and improving. They will give Mr. round towers when and where no man can see.

is an advantage, but thinks other articles might accomplished a work of much greater magnigave a ball at her Newport cottage. === The have been made free with vastly more benefit, tude than is commonly realized. In the dehave it mention a single product, of which do- that they should go there. The President, howmestic industry wholly or largely supplies the ever, cannot be expected to confront the quesdemand, on which they are paying any tax tion of Secretary Proctor's successor with anywhatever to the home producers. Not one such thing but regret and apprehension. article can be named for which the price is not determined by the home competition and not by the foreign price. And this may be added, that the foreign price is determined by the withdrawal of the American demand and not by the cost in nearly every case. If this be doubted, the articles on which duties were raised last October-why are they no higher to consumers here?

ENGLAND'S FREE SCHOOL SYSTEM. To-day begins a new era in the educational history of England and Wales. The Elementary Education Act, which the Government carried The escape of a desperate criminal from the through Parliament at the last session, goes into effect. That act before its final passage underwent some changes from the form in which it was introduced, and might well have been still further amended. As it now stands, it is by no means an ideal law. On the conteary, it exhibits various faults, some trivial, some serious, which must soon be corrected by supplementary legislation. But yet it effects a great improvement in the school system, especially for the good of the poorer people, so that it must be ranked among the most beneficent pieces of legislation in recent years.

Under this law the great majority of ele Principality will henceforth be entirely free to children between the ages of three and fifteen years. Hitherto fees have been charged, amounting to a few cents a week for each child. national treasury now undertakes to pay these fees to the schools, to the amount of 10 shillings of the distress. There is, however, one sure a year, or, say 12 cents a week, for each child. Only those schools, therefore, will be entirely free in which the fees have not exceeded that sum; but such schools comprise the vast maority. In the remaining schools the former fees will now be reduced by 10 shillings a year, leaving only an insignificant fraction to be paid by the parents. It is not mandatory upon schools to accept this arrangement. They may decline to accept the Government subsidy and go on as before. But the law does provide that there shall be in every community sufficient free school accommodation for all who wish it; so that if the existing schools do not come under the new law other schools will be established by the authorities. Nearly if not quite all the schools will, however, undoubtedly accept the new system, as it is obviously to their interest to do so, and as a result, from to-day forward, elementary education will practically be free.

The most serious fault in this law is that it fails to give public control over the schools to which public money is granted. Many of the elementary schools are directed and governed by the Established Church, and the special doctrines of that Church are taught to the He must do semething to give his people access pupils. The law does not contemplate making any change in such control and teaching, but the removal of the prohibition upon American it will pay to such schools the subsidy, a portion of which is contributed by Dissenting tax- to its opportunity, and it will not be remarkable

This seems to be a part of Governor Hill's plan to enjoy free instruction. In other words, the removed. to keep the State Convention at sixes and general public will be taxed for the support of sevens until he has a chance to accomplish his sectarian schools, and people of one denominaown purposes; as to which he has apparently tion will be compelled to send their children to not yet taken any one into his entire confidence. the schools of another. Such a system is re- abolished. The Copernican system, after centuries pugnant to every feeling of justice and free- of successful imposture, gives way to the Fergudom, and we doubt not that it will soon be sonian. Ferguson says so in so many words; of the Social Science Association President An- reformed; and reformed altogether. The free Orlando Ferguson, of Hot Box-no. of Hot Springs, drew D. White set forth numerous facts show- schools of England must be made like our own, in the progress which has been read to be schools of England must be made like our own, will hold with a blue green which has been read to be schools of England must be made like our own, will hold with a blue green which has been read to be schools of England must be made like our own, will hold with a blue green and the schools of England must be made like our own, will hold with a blue green and the schools of England must be made like our own, will hold with a blue green and the schools of England must be made like our own, which has been schools of England must be made like our own, with hold with a blue green and the schools of England must be made like our own, with hold with a blue green and the schools of England must be made like our own, which has been schools of England must be made like our own. ing the progress which has been made in this not only free to scholars, but free from any department of research. In particular he noted kind of sectarian control. And the Church of the provision in various educational institutions | England will be wise in its generation if it In the line of practical work Mr. White offered If not, sooner or later it must yield under coma valuable suggestion when he proposed the pulsion, and its resistance may only hasten its more we have a fixed earth, in the middle of a re-

as much as can be done to atone for the loss

not outhbound those voters are apt to express duties of citizenship and who in office would hoodlum of "the Slope." their feelings about it in their votes, and as exert a powerful influence for good government, they cannot know exactly how large a vote is but who dislike partisan warfare and are never deceitful, or where the hard, indigestible nubbin

of importers, and the secret performance of the President Harrison has been conducted with People's party or Alliance the good Republication of the President Harrison has been conducted with ceeding outward or southward, the basin or hat-People's party or Alliance, the good Repub- more skill and success than the War Departlicans of Ohio have an excellent pretext this ment, and yet there has been a complete abyear for making their majority large enough to sence of noisy claims and vain spectacle. In earth, completely replacing the imaginary South the reformation of army disciplinary methods Pole of the effete globe system. What prevents It seems that the coffee-cup and the tea-cup and in improving the conditions of post life for the water in the seas from slopping over this are preaching Republicanism. On every farm the common soldier, not less than in inaugu- exposed rim, after the well-known manner of and in every village people pay less for their rating the scheme of seaccast defences which basins, Ferguson does not say. Possibly a raised sugar, and are reminded of the fact every day. has been so long agitated. Secretary Proctor has edge is formed by frost-bitten spray or by the Government has all the revenue it needs. In- succeeded where a long line of his predecessors freezing of escaping steam from the central sub. dustries have better protection than before, and had conspicuously failed. This was chiefly due terranean steam-heating apparatus. The advanthe voters pay about \$5 less per year for the to the relation he established between himself tage and economy of getting rid of the superfluous sugar used in every family. A Democratic newspaper tells them that they still have to pleasant. He won the confidence and respect.

So long as the collaboration and Congress. truth is that they do not pay it; the money his plans for the betterment of the service as fered to prevail in sidercal circles, so long have comes out of the importors who are agents of they do not always listen to Cabinet sug-Democratic victory, they could well afford to did in the War Department, and the result was sacrifice many times half a million from the the passage of many reform measures without any conflict or flourish of trumpets. Secretary The good people of Ohio bogin to see the Proctor succeeded in impressing his views into or is not nicked or notched to indicate the "utter-

AMERICAN MEAT FOR STARVING EUROPE The poor of Europe live normally close to he point at which body and soul hold together. A failure of crops in this country means comparatively little. What is poverty here would be luxury along the Danube. Between poverty point and starvation point in the United States are many degrees, so many that nebody need starve who is willing to work. The general prosperity enables the community to care for those who cannot work. Actual suffering for want of food as it is often known abroad has no place in the experience and scarcely a place in the imagination of the poor of America. With this fact in mind it is easy to understand the outery which European nations are raising in view of the harvest returns. France's crop of wheat and rye is 150,000,000 bushels short of her requirements. Germany is fully as unfortunate, and no relief can be expected from the Russian granaries where an average store of 960,060,000 bushels has fallen to less than 600,000,000, which is at least 200,000,000 bushels short of satisfying the demands of home onsumers. This is a shocking situation. The Indian harvests afford no hope of any considerable surplus for export, and enormous as are mentary schools throughout the Kingdom and the crops of this country and the Argentine, they

can by no means supply the deficit. To the poor classes of England, France, Germany, Austria and Russia this means suffering of the direct kind, nor can any juggling with the grain tariffs do more than shift the scene and immense source of relief. Our meat products, now shut out of the chief markets of Europe by legislation as unjust as it is foolish, can very nearly dissipate all the dread effects of the crop failures. If France and Germany will act promptly, as they have promised to act, reducing the duties on American meat provisions to a point that will admit of large exportation, it will be possible for us to send to Europe at least 300,000,000 pounds more in 1892 than the total exports of the year just closed. There is reason to expect that the assurances received by our Ministers in those countries will be followed soon by something more substantial. Mr. Reid had succeeded in winning over the French Cabinet to his demands even before the prospect of a cereal famine came to reinforce them. The French Senate will undoubtedly upon its reassembling hasten a complete the legislation proposed by the Government. This fact has made a great impression in Germany, and the Chancellor is overwhelmed with public demands for a decree similar in effect. He is probably the more inlined to yield since it is his policy to resist the appeal for a reduction of the rye duties. to cheap food, and the thing most efficacious is pork. Our Government is undoubtedly alive

THE FERGUSONIAN UNIVERSE,

The globe theory is done with. Gravitation is

showing this earth of ours, "as seen by the author," of the pamphlet. So here we are, back just where we were 1741 years ago, for instance, recognizes that fact and yields to it gracefully. when C. P. Ptolemy, of Egypt, first reorganized asvolving universe. But whereas Ptolemy's earth might have been of the obsolete globe pattern without interfering with the working of the Ptole-Mr. Proctor's removal to the Senate will do manine system, what Fergusqu claims as his imgram; round, without being globular, like a bowl to that body of Senator Edmunds's experience upset in a basin set up on a slab. At least, such and courage, but it involves a great sacrifice on is Ferguson's description, writ short, yet to eyes the part of the Administration. When Mr. confused it may be by the glare of the false lights It is the testimony of men who have recently Proctor entered the Cabinet he was not a Na- of the old astronomy, the thing that bulges, so come from Ohio, and know the State well, that tional figure. As the Governor of Vermont to speak, from the middle of the earth or basin. the majority for Major McKinley is likely to be and as a business man of notable success he was more nearly resembles a batter pudding before its remarkably large. Good; but let no one abate known in the East. In his temperament, how-fall, and the whole arrangement suggests the sort his efforts to make it larger. In several States ever, there is little self-assertion and not much of complicated bamboo hat worn on their arrival the unexpected happened last year. Secret so- of that ambition which prompts men in quiet parties builders of the Central the unexpected happened last year. Secret so-cieties have not much faculty of winning Ameri-times to encounter the annoyances of office-kentucky), and only discarded on their discovery cans, but sometimes surprise them. That is the holding. He was one of that large body of exone advantage of secrecy. But when it next ceedingly able American citizens who enjoy the vides with the "French heel" of Lynn the honors gets within range of voters who are free and excitement of politics, who acknowledge the of the attractive costume worn by the polished

At the top of the bowl, where the batter is most requisite they take care to make it big enough heard from until an accident or an incident is that forms the focus of every hat of the grass to cover miscellaneous possibilities. That is brings them forward to the notable advantage family, rises the dear old North Pole. Here, at Democratic underground work with the money No department of the Government under the hollow below the hat band, where batter meets brim rises to an enefreling rim that forms the outer or southern boundary of the Fergusonian

pay \$10,000,000 a year in bounties, but the of the Nation's legislators, and they listened to policy of "Astronomy for Astronomers" was sufforeign manufacturers and have had to put gestions, however excellent. It is true that in pretended to take, delight in helping the attacks down prices in order to continue sales in this all its departments the Administration was close of the old geological ring on the literal intercountry, and are therefore angry enough to sub- to Congress, and its plans, whether relating to pretation, strictly construed, of the disputed scribe to the half-million Democratic fund for diplomacy, finance or general affairs, were re- passages in the English translation of the Greek the defeat of McKinley. If they could get free spected by legislators in an unusual degree, and Hebrew scriptures. Not so Ferguson. Hence access to the vast American market through But this fact applied nowhere so strongly as it his marble slab for his basinic earth to rest on, scriptural "four corners of the earth," but the scale of the diagram is too small to enable us to judge whether the starboard or eastern rim is point. It is interesting to note how many of laws, and a remarkable improvement in the most parts of the morning." The "windows of the bright Republicans of that State have taken | military establishment has followed. Promo- heaven" which were opened for the deluge are of pains to know, and to make their neighbors tions among the officers were rendered more course not shown; their position would come

All these things and more, Ferguson knows He knows them because he has travelled and kept his eyes open and has seen them. Like all great workmen, his tools have been of the simplest, No costly and absurd theodolites, zenith telescopes, transits, comet-seekers, lenses, clocks and chronographs, used in secret and in derkness in a tax and the duty is always added to the army, and they bear eloquent testimony to his son, in or through which no man not an employe price," they know what to think of his honesty. ability as an executive officer and to his prac- of the Astronomical Trust, and no woman save, But "The Macon Telegraph" sends its word tical value in public affairs. They are quite perhaps, Maria Mitchel, ever really saw anything of advice all the way from the plantations of as significant as the economy and skill he has but his or her eyebrows. No, Ferguson goes and Georgia. The people get cheaper sugar, it ad- exhibited in the preliminary work of fortifica- gets his stick, a simple, straight stick, his carmits, and it "does not deny that the change tion. Here he has had a free hand, and has penter's square, his surveyor's level, goes out in is. When some agent of the astronomical ring comes where Ferguson is, talking up a sun 111 1-2 gave a ball at her Newport cottage. Inc. cabinetmakers of Chicago, numbering over 1,000. particularly those largely produced in this coun- fences of Boston, New-York, Portland, Hampton times bigger than the earth, and 95,000,000 miles cabinetmakers of Chicago, numbering over 1,000. particularly under ing of wholly the demand for Roads, Philadelphia, Charleston and San Franaway, Ferguson, who has caught the gang "rais-Tennessee Legislature met in extra session to conthem, which are protected by a high tariff tax." cisco, great strides have been taken toward ing it a million" all the way up from ninety-one, The Telegraph" wanders about the point at strength and safety. The mental qualities from simply calls, so to speak. He doesn't stop at one article that will answer as an illustration, doubtedly, a large field of usefulness in the his just indignation he does that too. Ferguson but cannot. The voters of Ohio would like to Senate, and probably it is better for the country just levels his stick somewhere in the city limits of Chicago, sets up his square, points it toward the sun at noon on the 21st of March; finds the shadow of the raised sixteen-inch side cuts the recumbent side at just sixteen inches; knows Chicago is 2.500 miles (sideways) from the equator; thus proves, yes proves, that the sun would be 2,500 miles above or from the equator, were it not for the bulges and hollows of the batter in the basin. For these he allows 500 miles. Result, 3.000. Therefore the sun is 3.000 miles from the equator, and a little further, say, from Chicago-in

the springtime of the year. Of this system, Ferguson must be regarded as the perfector rather than the originator. Nearly fifty years ago it was practised by Professor John Phoenix, in his celebrated survey of a route for a Pacific railroad from Mission Dolores to Presidio San Francisco. When the Professor backed his transit-bearing cart into the plane of the true meridian, preparatory to "taking the sun" neross the bars of the United States gridiron, he was unconsciously paving the way for those later and greater discoveries that submerge the Phoenician system in the Fergusonian. So of that practical cientist to whom it is accredited, on the authority of the treatise "Three in Norway," that in three short hours, by sitting down and patiently watching, he completely disproved the alleged movement of glaciers. Going further, he even poked the glacier with his stick. It didn't move an inch.

Similar, but how much greater, was the equatorial work of Ferguson, wherein by pacing off fifteen miles on each side of the imaginary line, beyond which distance he found the sun at noon ceased to be vertical, he became "satisfied" that the sun is actually thirty miles in diameter, instead of 888,646 miles, as the ring has been preending. Again Ferguson takes his straight stick down to the wharf, levels it, trains it on the de parting ship of our schoolbooks (subsidized by the astronomers), and looks along the edge till the hall disappears, as in the picture, and the yards, if any, are about to follow suit. Then does Ferguson sit on the string-piece with his mouth open, ready to swallow the rest of the yarn? Not he. Up he climbs to the agent's office, borrows the agent's cheap working telescope, uncaps, fidgets for focus, and there-look, the hull again, as plain as you please. Ferguson says so. He has done it; he has seen it; and he tells you so himself. Moreover, he is "satisfied of it." When Ferguson says he is satisfied of a thing, it is as if another man said "I know it." That picture

must come out of the geography. Still more simple is the way in which he dis poses, once for all, of the Newtonian imposture of gravity. He has not much to say, he says, about gravitation, "for the reason that there is no such thing as gravitation." Done with gravity. Were one equally sure that there is no such thing as levity, it might be possible to remark on the resemblance between this and the Prig method of treating the Harris hypothesis: "Sairey, I don't believe there's no sich a person." In our opinion the astronomers make a serious blunder in affecting not to be aware of Ferguson. They cannot afford it. He is going to write an astronomy. Are they waiting for this? It will be too late to attempt to go en selling the old patterns of costly astronomical instruments when the progress of Ferguson and his straight stick has converted us into a nation of Fergusoniacs.

When Election Day comes round, Massachusetts will have had a Democratic Governor for ten

not be nominated for Lieutenant-Governor, of Dissenters to attend such schools if they wish is made that the German restriction has been a full year is about all she can stand. Governor it is tolerably certain that the old Bay State will reurn to her normal allegiance this year. The Republicans will have the naming of the successful candidate next fall. They cannot fail to put forward a worthy man. There is special significance, however, in the fact that both of the two Republicans most prominently mentioned in connection with the office are exceptionally well-qualified for the position of Governor. Mr. Russell will almost certainly be renominated; so the Republicans have the advantage of knowing already what sort of man this canvass must be made

The coaching of would be immigrants on the other side of the Atlantic in order that they may give suitable answers to the questions put by the officials on this side, and so gain admission to the country, is an ingenious scheme, but it can hardly work successfully for a great length of time. Its authors evidently do not have a correct appreciation of Yankee ingenuity. An immigratien official in this country would not be worthy of his place if he could not tell in five minutes or less whether a person under examination had been coached.

Emperor William's pet project of a Central European Customs League appears doomed to failure. Switzerland has definitely and curtly rejected the invitation of Germany to enter the Zollverein. Her manufacturing industries are already heavily handicapped by German competition, and far from being desirous to extend increased facilities of access and trade to her Teutonic rivals, she has resolved to bar them out by means of a high-tariff wall. It is practically certain that Switzerland's rejection of the Berlin overtures will encourage Italy to follow her example. For the industrial and commercial crisis in King Humbert's dominions is too acute to admit of any treaty binding the kingdom to a commercial union with Germany, thereby closing the profitable French markets to Italian produce. Nor is it by any means certain that the zollverein recently concluded between Germany and Austria, and so exultingly announced by Emperor William on the eve of his visit to England, will receive that ratification of the German Reichstag and of the Austro-Hungarian Delegations which is requisite before the provisions of the agreement can be put into legal force. All the manufacturing interests of Austria and Hungary are hostile to the convention, which, in affording free access into the dual Empire of German goods, involves disaster to their industries. Nor is antagonism to the agreement confined to Austrian manufacturers. For it meets with an even stronger opposition on the part of the important agricultural interests in Northern, and above all in Southern, Germany. It is as representative and mouthpiece of the powerful agricultural element that Prince Bismarck is to take his seat in the Imperial Parliament when it next meets, for the purpose of leading the popular opposition to this unpopular convention, which was devised by Emperor William, not in the interests of commerce and industry, but with the object of binding the treaty Powers more closely to his Government in a political and military

How delightful these exhibitions of Democratic harmony in various quarters of the State! In one case pistols have been drawn in order to enforce harmony, and contesting delegations representing the Hill and the Cleveland forces are so common as to be no longer remarkable. One faction was "knocked out" by another is an everyday phrase in the accounts of the conventions held to select delegates to the State Convention. If the proceedings of the convention itself take color from these preliminary gatherings, it will go down to history as a marked body. The conduct of the convention will be a criterion by which to judge of the closeness of David B. Hill's grip upon the party machinery. If that grip is what it is reputed to be, the owner of it might put it to the test by attempting to make the preliminary conventions orderly and peaceable. Perhaps, how ever, that might be too palpable a give-away,

With the mercury far up in the nineties in North Dakota yesterday, a suspicion that summer is not yet ended is quite excusable. One spell of cool weather, like that of the last three days on the Atlantic seaboard does not make a fullfledged autumn; and the people who have prenaturely hurried home from the mountains and some length, evidently anxious to name some which these good works have come will find, unbefore many days. September has not seldom given us the warmest weather of the year.

PERSONAL.

"The San Francisco Argonaut" says that people on the Pacific Coast are not altogether pleased with the extreme reserve manifested by Mr. Scarles, his attorneys and by C. P. Huntington, in regard to their plans for meeting a contest of Mrs. Searles's will by Timothy Hopkins. It is affirmed by that newspaper that the contest will be made, and satisfaction with Massachusetts as the battle-ground is evinced. "H," says "The Argonaut," "Mrs. Hopkins was unduly influenced or overreached by fraud in disposing of her
estate or disinheriting her son, these facts will be made
to appear, and the will be set aside. In our judgment, there can be no better place to contest an unfair
will, where wrong has been perpetrated, than in the
state of Massachusetts. If this contest comes to an
exhibition of bad blood, we shall expect startling disdissures that will not be creditable to the measures reorted to by Mr. Scarles for the acquisition of the
state." Massachusetts as the battle-ground is evinced. "If,"

Sir Henry Pottinger has just leased in Norway what is perhaps the largest sporting estate in Europe, the area being about the size of Yorkshire, and the game varying from the clk to the rhyper, while saimon and trout are in abundance. This immense tract includes yeld, ford, moorland and river, but is very thinly recorded. Thomas F. Rayard, ex-Secretary of State, is visiting

his daughter, Mrs. Samuel D. Warren, at Mattapoisett. Baron Nathan de Rothschild's hobby is photography. He has been staying this summer, as usual, in a harming little place near the Italian frontier, early as 6 in the morning he goes out with his ra. The baron rides on horseback, accompanied to servants on horseback, and a led horse to carry ackle. Pity the sorrows of a rich man! The baron cannot content himself with the hotel fare, nily eats that which is sent daily from Vienua by

M. Renan is now at work on his fourth volume o his history of Israel, which will be finished this fall. France can no longer complain of being boycotted by toyal personages as in the days of President Grevy. Ten days ago there were on French soil one Emperor me of Spain), one Queen (Isabella of Spain), two heirs pparent (the Prince of Wales and Taleb liev of lunis), one Emperor's brother (the Grand Duke Alvis) and one heir presumptive's wife (the Countess of Flanders).

Stephen O'Meara, the new manager of "The Boston Journal," is thirty-soven years old. One of his earliest newspaper "assignments" was the task of reporting Tilton-Beccher trial in 1875. He was then are

John Penn, the Conservative candidate for member f Purliament for Lewisham, elected last Wednesday, a descendant of William Penu, the American.

Professor O. C. Marsh will take a party of scholars tunn. He will return to New-Haven from Washing-

The news of Mme. Sardou's Illness brings out the tory of her romantic courtship. She met the famous ramatic author for the first time at breakfast one norning at her own home, where he had come to con-

Secretary Proctor has given \$5,000 to endow a free bed in the Mary Fletcher Hospital, in Burlington, Vt.

THE RESULT IN CHILI EXPLAINED. From The Norwich Bulletin.

It is difficult to explain the completeness and de-cisiveness of the insurgents' victory, except upon the ground that there was lack of zeal or of fidelity on the part of Balmaceda's troops. There appears to have been no lack of either on the other side. This differ-ence suggests, perhaps, the difference in the moral strength of the opposing forces.

ESTHER IS LIKELY TO PROVE FATAL From The St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Which issue, the tariff or silver, made Governor ampbell sick? Each of them has untold terrors for

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FOR CHICAGO ON WORLD'S

FAIR BUSINESS. BY CABLE TO THE THIBUNE. Copyright: 1891: By The Tribune Association London, Aug. 31 .- The Queen is to reside at Palnoral until the third week in November, when the Court will remove to Windsor Castle. Empress Eugenie is expected shortly at Birkhall which the Queen has lent to her for as long a period as she likes to stay there. Abergeldie Castle is to be occupied for month by the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and the other royal residence on Decaide, Abergeldie Manse, which was lent to Lady laddulph last year, is now placed at the disposal of Dr. Williams, who is to reside there until after the acconchment of Princess Beatrice, which is expected shortly, and all the Court

arrangements depend upon the event. THE QUEEN'S PORTRAITS OF HER GRANDSON. The full-length portrait of Emperor William, which he recently presented to the Queen, has been hung in the corridor of Osborne. His Majesty is represented in the full uniform of a British admiral and wearing the star and ribbon of the Garier. Another portrait of the Emperor which he is having painted for the Queen represents him standing on the bridge of the Hohenzollern arrayed in German naval uniform and wearing the ribbon and insignia of the Black Eagle. The yacht is depicted on a green sea beneath a bine, starlit sky. This picture is to be inclosed in a white frame adorned with green laurel leaves surmounted by the Imperial crewn.

PRINCE GEORGE OF WALES PROMOTED. Prince George of Wales, as was stated some time ago would be the case, has been promoted to the rank of commander. Prince George has been close upon six years lieutenant, and it is pretty well understood that his future progress in the service will be so regulated that he will not reach the highest ranks at so early an age as his uncle, the Duke of Edinburgh, did. It may well be hoped that he will become as distinguished for knowledge of his profession as that uncle, for our Royal faffilly is certainly not lacking either in brains

GERMANY IMITATES THE PRINCE, TOO. If imitation be the sincerest flattery, it is plain that the heir to the British crown has not lost one scrap of popularity among the middle classes on the Con-tinent. In Germany and Switzerland it rains Princes of Wales. Every short, stout, middle aged man grows a Guelph beard, wears a Homburg hat, and makes up generally after the great original. When, as is fre quently the case, the attributes are grafted on a stock of distinctly Hebraic origin, the result is not so happy.

LORD LORN'S GOES TO AIX LA CHAPELLE. Lord Lorne has some to Aix la Chapelle to see Lord Ronald Gower, who has been somewhat seriously ill

THE QUEEN OF ITALY'S MOUNTAIN CLIMBING.

The Queen of Italy is probably the finest pedestrian and the most active mountain-climber among the European royalties. A few days ago she set out from Gressoney in early morning, reached the Indre Plateau about noon, passed the night in a tent on the Hochlicht, and at dawn set out in a gray walking costame for the Lys glacier. The cold was intense, and a blinding snowstorm compelled some of Her Majesty's attendants to turn back. The weather cleared at last, and about 5 p. m. dinner was served in a hut at Guifetia at an elevation of 11,000 feet above the sea The second night was passed on the mountains before Queen Margaret returned to Gressoney not a whit the worse for the adventure which tired out her most stalwart companions.

MR. RAIRES GUESSED WRONG.

I read with much surprise and regret of the death of Mr. Raikes, who was, when I last saw him, apparently in excellent health. I first made his acquaintance at one of those odd but very pleasant dinners given by Lord Onslow in Richmond Terrace, where the guests as they arrived dropped into any vacant seat at numerous tables scattered round the room. I was placed next to Mr. Raikes, and as my personality was unknown to him, I enjoyed myself much by astonishing him with my intimate knowledge of Postofice people's affairs. On leaving I requested Mr. Raikes to guess who I was, and he guessed Sir John Tilley, the venerable ex-secretary of the department, which considerably increased my delight.

SIR JOHN GORST'S CHANCES FOR PROMOTIONA Sir John Gorst has every chance, it seems, of suce ceeding to both vacancies caused by the death of Mr. Raikes. His appointment to the Postmaster-Generalship may be looked upon as a foregone conclusion. The Under Secretary for India has of late occupied too much of popular attention for the heads of the Conservative party to be able safely to continue rewarding his merits with subordination to less prominent politicians units to neglect. be every probability that he will be selected as the colleague of Sir Gabriel Stokes in the representation of Cambridge University. His academic qualifications are abundantly sufficient. He was third wrangler and fellow of St. John's College, on which foundation he now holds an honorary fellowship, while his practical experience in the House of Commons would usefully supplement the scientific distinction of Sir Gabriel

TREASURE-CARRYING BY BRITISH WARSHIPS.

The carrying of treasure by British men-of-war is a custom of considerable antiquity. Special regulations as to the disposal of money received for this service have always been in existence, and the latest were ssued by royal proclamation no longer back than August, 1888, on account of the particular circumstances under which the Espicgle conveyed Balmeceda's million dollars to Montevideo. I, of course know no more than my neighbors, but do know that it is in the highest degree improbable that Captain Arthur Clarke in any way laid himself open to reproach, There is not in the whole service an officer more punctilions as to the observance of its minutest rules. nor, I may add, a ship that had a happier commission than the Espiegle.

REPAIRING THE CALLIOPE. Things pass out of memory pretty quickly in these days of rapidly succeeding events, but most people will recollect the Calliope as having by great good fortune escaped to see during the hurricane in Samoa, when the German and American men-of-war were no so forta-She is now being recoppered at Portsmouth after the defects in her hull had been made good. The defects were so serious that her performance at Apia seems all the more wonderful, but it was the good condition of the engines, not of the hull, that saved her.

TO MAKE ABRANGEMENTS FOR A BRITISH EX-HIBIT. Sir Henry Wood starts on Saturday next for Chicago

to make a preliminary arrangement for the British section in the 1893 Exhibition. Though the grant made by the Government is smaller than that given to any previous industrial exhibition, yet the experience gained in Paris in 1389 should enable the Royal Commission to provide with the moderate amount at its disposal all the assistance really wented by hibitors. It seems likely that if the makers of machinery hesitate to compete with their American rivals, yet the artistic industries, and they furnish the most attractive part of an exhibition, will be well represented, as several of our largest manufacturers have already announced their intention of taking part in the show. There is also reason to expect the colonies generally will take a more promient'share than they have in any previous exhibition. am given to understand on good authority that the French Government is ready to expend as much as 3,000,000 francs on their section at Chicago. greater part of this large sum is to be devoted to the fine arts, and the reason of this unitsual liberality is that the citizens of Chicago intend to spend a very targe amount of money in filling with objects of fine art from the exhibition the big hall which they are build-The opportunity ing as a permanent memerito of 1803. will be as good for English artists as French; se English palciers and sculptors should note that any good work sent to Chicago has an excellent chance of being bought for a permanent gallery there-

OKO JUMBO'S LONDON VISIT. Oko Jumbo, King, or-as he called himself on hid visiting eard-Chief of Bonby, has not long survived his hereditary foe, Ja Ja. Ohe visited London four of five years ago for the purpose of having his eyes looked to. Mr. Critchett pronounced the trouble to be undoubted cataract, and to'd him that for the operation he must come again to England in a year or two. His suble Majesty promised and no doubt intended to do this, but he suitered so fearfully from seasiekness on his way home that he never had courage to redeem the promise. His two great delights while in London were driving a hansom cab and visiting the Zoological Gardeos, which as he sojourned at the Regent's Park, he was conveniently able to do almost daily. Oko was a capricions father. His youngt son was with him in England, the eldest, Prince John, having been left at home in discrace and in prison